

ARLINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

In accordance with the provisions of the Massachusetts General laws, Chapter 30A, Section 20, notice is hereby given for the following meeting of the:

***Arlington School Committee
Standing Subcommittee: Community Relations
Tuesday, September 19, 2017
5:00 PM***

Open Meeting

Public Participation

Human Rights Commission Appointment

School Committee Office Hours

New Business

- *Approval of draft minutes 8/30/2017*

Adjournment

The listings of matters are those reasonably anticipated by the Chair, which may be discussed at the meeting. Not all items listed may in fact be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law.

Stated times and time amounts, listed in parenthesis, are the estimated amount of time for that particular agenda item. Actual times may be shorter or longer depending on the time needed to fully explore the topic.

Submitted by Cindy Starks Subcommittee Chair



Town of Arlington, Massachusetts

Public Participation



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Summary:

- Approval of draft minutes 8/30/2017

ATTACHMENTS:

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Community Relations 8/30/17

Attending:

- Cindy Starks
- Jennifer Susse
- Jeff Thielman
- Dr. Bodie
- Julie Dunn

Discussed:

- **Dashboard** – Julie updated us on the implementation of adding the dashboard to the website. We reviewed the press release and it will go live and the PR will go out tomorrow (8/31/17). We decided to take off the ability for people to leave comments for now.
- **HRC appointment** – we have 10 candidates. We decided to divide and each call 1/3. We agreed to ask these questions:
 - o Can you commit to 3 years, Weds. Nights 8-10 once a month, total hours?
 - o What relevant experience do you have that you bring to the committee?
 - o When did you first hear about the Arlington Human Rights Commission?
 - o Given what you know about the AHRC's work, what do you think the commission could do better or differently in the coming years?
 - o Arlington has gone through a lot of changes in the past 10-20 years (for example, most of the people living here today were not here 15 years ago). What do you think are the benefits and challenges that come with these demographic changes?
 - o Do you have children in the APS?
 - o Tell them the process and timeline (end of Sept.)
- o Cindy will send out q's and list of who to call and by when – send responses to Karen who will collate and get them back to us. We will discuss at our next meeting.
- **Buffer Zones** – do we need to do any work on them or are they holding & helping? Sounds like we may need to make some modifications, but the question was about timing. The superintendent's office wants to do some more analysis and will come back to us at a future meeting to figure out what we need to do.
- **SC office hours** – when, where, start?, how to assign? Jennifer will talk to Café Nero and Whole Foods about possibly using their spaces at 11am the first Saturday of the month. We would start in October and it would be the first Saturday of every month through May. Cindy will create a sign up form to pass around at our first meeting in September.
- **AHS rebuild outreach** – Dr. Bodie updated us on what was happening. Getting ready to roll out a website to update the public on this in September.
- **Next meeting will be Tuesday 9/19 from 5-6.**